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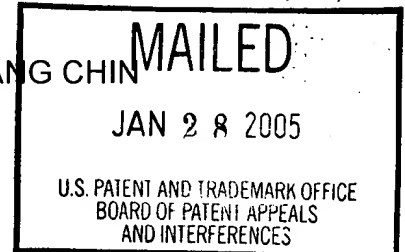
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ORDER VACATING APPEAL NUMBER and DOCKETING NOTICE

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This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (BPAI) on October 22, 2004.

An Order Returning the Undocketed Appeal to the Examiner was mailed on January 14, 2005. The order requests the Examiner to consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) submitted on January 3, 2000. The Examiner has not received the application file to consider the IDS.

On January 26, 2005, a Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences Docketing Notice was mailed to the applicant indicating that the appeal number for the application was 2005-0586. The Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences Docketing Notice was mailed in error and the appeal number has been withdrawn.

Upon review of the file, the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences Docketing Notice was mailed prematurely before the examiner was able to review the IDS

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submitted on January 3, 2000. Therefore, the application is being returned to the Examiner to consider the IDS submitted on January 3, 2000.

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